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In re

Patent Application of

Mark Kornely, et al.

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"METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PACKAGING FOODSTUFFS"

STATUS REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants' attorneys respectfully request a report on the status of the above-identified application.

Applicants' attorneys have not received an action on the application.

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